Eugene Police Department Volunteer Position Description

Position: Seniors on Patrol Team

Supervision: Harlow Meno, Program Manager, Community Engagement Team

Schedule: Team operates seven days/week (summer hours are generally 6am-9pm; winter hours are generally

6am-6pm)

Commitment: Must provide a minimum of one 5-hour shift per week for 18 months of service

Objectives: Address neighborhood crime and safety issues by observing and reporting suspicious activity and

providing a highly visible and mobile community policing function. Serve as extra eyes, ears and helping hands, allowing officers to devote a greater amount of time to performing proactive law

enforcement functions that require a sworn officer.

Description of Duties

• In teams of two, patrol streets, bike paths and parks. Observe and report unlawful or questionable activities.

- Using radar guns, observe and log speeders, as part of a traffic calming program where educational letters are sent to registered owners of vehicles traveling 10+ miles over the posted speed limit.
- Conduct "vacation checks" for residents of Eugene.
- Shuttle marked police decoy vehicles.
- Issue citations to violators of signed disabled parking spaces.
- Theft from vehicle prevention.

Requirements

- Age 50+ and fully retired
- Valid Oregon Driver's License and good driving record
- Strong interpersonal communication skills
- Schedule flexibility allows for attendance at trainings/meetings
- Minimum 5-hour shift per week for 18 months of service (vacations and time off are allowed)
- Ability to lift, carry, and move items up to 35 pounds
- Ability to hear radio transmissions and communicate clearly on radio
- Adept with email correspondence

Dress Code

• Uniform shirts, jacket, cap, pants and shorts are issued by the department.

Training and Preparation

- Participation 40-hour field training that includes driver training, use of department radio and other communication equipment, first aide, department policies and procedures, etc.
- Additional Training incorporated into monthly team meetings.

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